

REMARKS

This is a Supplemental Amendment in the above-identified application. By this Supplemental Amendment, Applicant has amended the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 12, as shown, in order to amend the "RELATED APPLICATIONS" section of the above-identified application and Applicant's claim of priority in the above-identified application.

As amended, the "RELATED APPLICATIONS" section and Applicant's claim of priority reads as follows:

-- This application claims the benefit of priority of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/286,422, filed April 25, 2001 and entitled "APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING AND/OR FOR PROVIDING HEALTHCARE INFORMATION AND/OR HEALTHCARE-RELATED INFORMATION", the subject matter and teachings of which are hereby incorporated by reference herein. --.

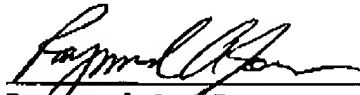
Applicant respectfully submits that the above amendment to the Specification does not contain new matter.

Applicant respectfully submits that the present invention, as defined by Claims 1, 9, 25, and 33-49, is patentable over the prior art.

Entry of this Supplemental Amendment, before any Official Action is taken in this case, is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, the application is deemed to be in condition for allowance and action to that end is respectfully requested. Allowance of pending Claims 1, 9, 25, and 33-49 is, therefore, respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,


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